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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Clausen and Bennett

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For: METHODS TO IDENTIFY AGENTS MODULATING FUNCTIONS OF

POLYPEPTIDE GALNAC-TRANSFERASES, PHARMACEUTICAL

COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING SUCH AGENTS AND THE USE OF SUCH

AGENTS FOR PREPARING MEDICAMENTS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reference to the above-reference application, please consider the following Preliminary Amendment and accompanying remarks.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 23 of this paper.

Preliminary Amendment